

## BURNING STABLE SPECTACULAR BLAZE

Four Horses Perish.—Fire  
Occurred Early This  
Morning

LOSS IS ABOUT \$4,500

Stable Owned by Stuart J. Simpson.  
—Two Small Frame Houses Also  
Damaged by Fire.

Fire at 12:20 o'clock last night destroyed a frame stable 54 by 70 belonging to Stuart J. Simpson located on the lot at the northeast corner of Alfred and Wilkes streets and four horses perished and two automobiles were destroyed and considerable stock in the stable also went up in the flames. The origin of the fire has not been determined. In addition two small frame houses 811 and 809 Wilkes street, occupied by Edward Jones and J. Kurland, both colored, were badly damaged. The occupants of two other houses directly east of these houses, also occupied by colored families, moved their effects to places of safety. Occupants of the two damaged houses removed their effects before the fire got into them. Two of the horses that perished were the property of Mr. Simpson and one belonged to Charles Grayson and one to Thomas Milton. One of the automobiles belonged to Jack Egan and other to Mr. Simpson. Mr. Simpson estimates that the total loss will be about \$4,500. His loss is partially covered by insurance. The blaze was a spectacular one and illuminated the western heavens. In about an hour the fire department subdued the blaze. The fire attracted several thousand persons, many of whom had gathered for the night but upon seeing the blaze hurriedly dressed and went to the fire.

## RECEPTION TONIGHT

All Honor Mothers—Prominent  
Speakers on Program—Musical  
to be Given

Two prominent speakers are scheduled to give addresses tonight at the reception which will be given at 8 o'clock tonight in the War and Navy Community Hall in honor of the mothers whose sons served in the war. In addition to the speaking program, a musical program will be given. The speakers are Mrs. Kate Walcott Barrett, who needs no introduction to an Alexandria audience. Mrs. Barrett is the one of the foremost women speakers in America today. The other speaker on the program is Mrs. Susie R. Rhodes of Washington. The mothers of every man who served are invited to this reception. The committee in charge of the program of arrangements expressed the hope that mothers whose sons served in the war will attend.

## MRS. H. F. MORSE SPONSOR

All Christen Vanada Saturday Afternoon

The Virginia Shipbuilding Corporation will at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon launch the Steamship Vanada. Mrs. H. F. Morse will be the sponsor immediately following the launching a luncheon will be served in the commissary department of the company's plant. As heretofore stated in the Gazette the yards will be thrown open to the public. All citizens are invited to attend. It is expected that a big crowd will be on hand to see the Vanada take her maiden plunge into the river. All are urged to decorate in honor of the event.

LIQUOR FACES SORRY PLIGHT.  
St. Louis, June 19.—Approximately 3,000,000 gallons of whiskey will be seized up in St. Louis July 1, when the national prohibition law becomes effective, as a result of the announcement of railroads that alcoholic beverages would not be transported after that date, distillers announced today. One distiller said he expected to have 100,000 gallons of undelivered whiskey on the first of next month.

## STRUCK BY POLICEMAN

Arrest of Man at Fire Last Night  
Causes Excitement

Among the cases before the Police Court this morning was that of M. R. Marshall, who was charged with disorderly conduct while the fire was raging last night. Officer Raymond Smith testified that he was called upon by the engineer of one of the engines to take the man away, as he was annoying him. When the officer directed the alleged offender to move away, the latter brought on a colloquy which ended in the officer arresting him. Officer Smith stated that the offender was drunk and that he seized him by the throat, forcing him to use his baton.

The prisoner, in his defense, denied that he was drunk, but admitted that he had been drinking, and declared he did not take hold of the officer. He said he heard a thumping in the engine and drew near to ascertain the cause, he being acquainted with machinery. A number of witnesses were present in the interest of the accused. He was fined \$5.

## DEBT FUND TO COURT

Virginia Commission Will Ask Tribunal to Distribute Money

The Virginia Debt Commission is about to call upon the courts of the State to make arrangements for the distribution of the \$13,500,000 which West Virginia has paid over to Virginia as the former's part of the old Virginia State debt, and which belongs in part to Virginia and in part to individual creditors.

This action has been found necessary by the Virginia commission, that the courts might share with it the responsibility for the proper distribution of the assets. The commission might have proceeded upon its own motion and authority to make settlement but preferred to have the courts assist.

To this end a motion has been made in the Virginia Circuit Court at Richmond calling upon the court to assume jurisdiction over the \$13,500,000 now in the custody of the Debt Commission, to appoint a master to pass upon all claims and to arrange through the commission for the settlement of all proper claims.

West Virginia has paid over the entire amount of the judgment against her. A total of 1,087,000 in cash has been handed to the debt commission, and the remainder, which is in bonds, will be delivered as soon as the securities can be printed, signed and recorded. The transaction has been concluded so far as the two States are concerned, except the minor detail of delivering the bonds and taking up the notes given in place of the bonds.

When the money finally was paid over the debt commission found itself confronted with a number of perplexing questions, the most important of which was the distribution of the vast sum of money. There was no fixed rule to guide the commission in the matter, and that body finally turned to the United States Supreme Court with a formal motion that this tribunal superintend the distribution. But the Supreme Court declined, on the ground that it had no jurisdiction. It contended that the lawsuit between the two States having been adjudicated and the litigation formally closed, it was not the part of the court to tell Virginia how she must distribute the money which came to her as a result of the judgment.

Meantime, none of the money in possession of the debt commission will be paid out. In fact the commission, it was learned today, is in much doubt as to the claims of the creditors. That body does not know, for example how much of the money should go to the State of Virginia itself and how much to the individual creditors.

## DIED

On Wednesday, June 18, 1919, at 1:20 P. M., at the Alexandria Hospital, JAMES S. JEFFRIES, aged forty-two years. Funeral Friday, June 20, at 4 P. M., from his late residence, 323 North Pitt street. Relatives and friends invited to attend. 146-1p.

DIED—Thursday morning June 19, at "Malvern," her home on Seminary Hill, Fairfax County, MRS. MOLLIE HOWARD CLEVELAND, wife of Albert H. Cleveland. Funeral services Saturday morning at 11 o'clock at Ivy Hill Cemetery. 146-1p.

## ASK REPEAL OF THE LUXURY TAX

Retail Merchants' Association  
Hold Meeting in  
Richmond

MEET HERE NEXT YEAR

Alexandrians Honored in Selection of  
Officers.—Urge "Bad Check" Law  
and Endorse Extra Session.

Repeal of the so-called luxury tax and construction of a merchant marine fitting the present and future needs of the nation were among the resolutions adopted yesterday by the Retail Merchants' Association of Virginia in convention in Richmond.

Calling of the Assembly into special session for the passage of measures pertaining to good roads in the State was commended by the convention in a resolution.

W. H. Schwarzhild was re-elected president of the organization. J. H. Kaufman, treasurer, and W. A. Clark, Jr., both of Richmond were re-elected and other officers named as follows:

R. E. Knight, of Alexandria, first vice-president.  
W. H. Wilcox, Petersburg, second vice-president.

The following directors were chosen: Leopold Ruben of Alexandria (also vice president for the 8th Congressional district.)

Raphael Levy, Richmond; H. Carl Boschen, Richmond; W. T. Ryan, Richmond; David Pender, Norfolk; M. Umstadter, Norfolk; Mosby Ryland, Lynchburg; Edward Eigenbrun, Petersburg.

Change of date for the annual convention from June to February was decided upon by the delegates. Alexandria was elected as the next meeting place, the date for the convention to be fixed by a committee named for the purpose.

One of the efforts of the association will be devoted to the passage of a bad check law by the regular Assembly next January.

Yesterday's session closed at 6 o'clock, the convention having been confined to a single day.

## ACT IS REPEALED

Both Houses Vote to Set Clocks Back  
Last Sunday in October

The daylight saving law was repealed by an overwhelming vote in both houses of Congress yesterday. In the Senate the vote on repeal was 55 to 6, and in the House it was 233 to 122, five members voting present.

The repeal, if approved by the President, will become effective on the last Sunday in October. At 2 o'clock in the morning of that day the hands of the clocks in the United States, which were moved forward one hour in April, will be set back.

Senator La Follette fathered the repeal measure in the Senate. By the vote of 46 to 2 he obtained permission to suspend the rules so as to make the measure in order as a rider to the Agricultural Appropriation bill. On final passage, Senators Calder, Frelinghuysen, Newberry, Page, Phipps and Robinson voted against repeal.

In sponsoring the repeal amendment, Senator La Follette said that the law had been passed as a part of the war time legislation and that it never had been voted upon by the people. He said that inasmuch as the people of the country had been given no opportunity to say whether they were willing to accept the burdens which the measure imposed it was desirable to have it repealed.

## NOTICE

An important meeting of Troop No. 2 Boy Scouts of America will be held at the Lyceum Hall, on Duke street tonight at 7:00 o'clock. All Scouts must be present. By order of R. L. CARNE, Scoutmaster.

Our In-Built Auto Tire Repairs, outlast the casing Alexandria Auto Supply, Work done when promised Alexandria Auto Supply Co., 104 South Washington Street.

## DEATH OF ALEXANDRIAN

George W. Dearborn, son of the late Captain George W. Dearborn, of this city, died in Amherst, Va., last night. The deceased resided in Alexandria up to the time of entering manhood, when he became agent at Amherst for the Southern Railway Company, a position he held for about half a century. In point of service he was one of the oldest agents of the road. Mr. Dearborn had many acquaintances in this city, to which he made periodical visits.

## JAMES S. JEFFRIES DIES

James S. Jeffries, forty-two years old, died yesterday afternoon at the Alexandria Hospital following an operation for appendicitis. He was a machinist and was employed at the Southern Railway shops in this city. He is survived by his wife. The body was taken to his late residence, 323 North Pitt Street from whence the funeral will take place at 4 o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

## LOSES LIFE WHILE BATHING IN RIVER

J. H. Pullen, Shipyard Employee Seized With Cramps  
Last Night

BODY IS RECOVERED

Happened on Maryland Side of River.  
—Pullen's Body Recovered by Police Boat.

J. H. Pullen, nineteen years old, who was employed at the plant of the Virginia Shipbuilding Corporation, was drowned while bathing on the opposite side of the river yesterday afternoon.

Pullen was with several companions at the time. He was seen to go down and not come up again.

His companion made futile efforts to recover the body. It is learned that he was seized with cramps.

The Alexandria police were notified and the Washington harbor police boat came to the spot and recovered the body shortly after 10 o'clock and it was brought here and taken to Wheatley's channel.

The deceased resided at 611 South Fairfax street, and his home was 117 Prospect street, Baltimore.

When the body was recovered it was taken to the Alexandria Hospital and the pulmotor was used without effect, the body having been in the water too long.

## 16 OF FAMILY KILLED

Thirteen sons killed on the field of battle, three discharged with grave injuries, one wounded four different times, the father and one daughter summarily shot by the Germans for going to the celebration the centennial anniversary of a relative, and another daughter killed by a German shell at Dunkirk is the record of the family of M. Vanhee, a French farmer of Reminghe near Ypres.

M. Vanhee had 36 children, 25 sons and 14 daughters, all of whom were living when the war broke out. One of his sons was valet to Pope Pius X; he returned to France to fight and was wounded in each of four different engagements. One of the sons lost both legs, another returned from the front blind and deaf and another underwent the trepanning operation.

## GORE TOSSED FROM AUTO

Sioux Falls, S. D., June 19.—Senator Thomas P. Gore, of Oklahoma, was injured late yesterday afternoon when an automobile in which he was rushing from Mitchell to Sioux Falls overturned, throwing the Senator out onto the ground. His shoulder was badly bruised but he suffered no internal injuries.

The Oklahoma Senator was hastening to Sioux Falls, to catch a train for Washington, when the accident occurred. A front wheel of the automobile caught in a rut overbalancing the car. Senator Gore plans to continue to Washington tomorrow.

## MASONS ARE HOSTS TO THE SOLDIERS

Reception Given Last Night  
at Masonic Temple in  
Honor of Men

S. W. PITTS PRESIDES

Addresses by Four Congressmen.—  
Musical Program Given.—War  
Camp Songs Sung by Audience.

The Masons of this city last night were hosts to all men who served the colors during the war. The affair took the form of a reception and during the evening a musical program was given by local talent and the occasion was enlivened with music furnished by an orchestra.

The reception was attended by a large gathering of men, many of whom had seen service abroad.

S. W. Pitts chairman of the entertaining committee, presided over the exercises.

The meeting was an open one and it was not necessary to be a Mason to attend.

During the course of the evening addresses of a patriotic nature were delivered by Representative C. E. Randall, Wisconsin; J. G. Monahan, Wisconsin; Clement Brumbaugh, Ohio and Andrew Jackson Montague of Virginia.

Those attending during the evening sang camp songs and afterward refreshments were served. The affair was concluded about 11 o'clock.

This is the second reception given during the past two weeks by the Masonic fraternity of this city in honor of the men who served the colors.

## TEUTONS FACE FATE

Revolt And Riot Flare up at Weimar  
—Insurgents Suppressed

Weimar, June 19.—Revolt and riot flared up yesterday just as the national assembly was settling down to debate whether Germany's answer to the revised peace treaty should be "yes" or "no."

The Spartans, who had waited and carefully prepared for this, Germany's "darkest hour," to seize the reins of government and sign with tongue in cheek, made a desperate coup and lost, but not until after a bloody street battle.

Quiet and order are restored, but fresh attacks are looked for.

A half hundred prisoners recently released from military prisons, where they had been confined for Spartan and Communist agitation, marched on the castle at dawn, disarmed the sentinels, and were about to rush in to "arrest" the whole ministry.

Warned by premature shots, a strong force of government troops inside sprang to arms and administered a smashing reception to the attackers, driving them into the street, where the battle was fought to a finish.

Several of the Spartans were captured and will be shot. Indignation continues to sweep the land, and if the present national mood continues, the German people will resign to invasion and receivership rather than permit acceptance.

German finance appears to be for acceptance. Its chief organ, the Frankfurter Zeitung, says it is the only thing Germany can do. It is a question, however, how far the financial interests can influence the government, which stands virtually as one man against signature.

Schneidemann and other officials who have thus far expressed themselves pointed out that the only thing that holds the government back from sending a prompt "no" to Paris was the consideration of the chaos that might befall Germany if the peace is refused.

SANITARY FISH MARKET will have on sale tomorrow and balance of week; Boston mackerel, large but-terfish, sea bass, bay mackerel, Jersey trout, crab meat, clams and some snapping turtles. City Market, Stall No. 2, Phone 735. Open till 5 P. M. 145-2p.

Advertise your wants in the Gazette Want Column

## TWO BOYS KILLED

One Struck by Trolley Car; Other  
Meets Death Under Truck

Philadelphia, June 19.—Two boys were instantly killed yesterday, one by a trolley car, the second after being thrown beneath a heavy motor truck. In each instance the bodies of both were badly mangled. The tragedies occurred in the northern section of the city.

Shortly after noon, while 10 year old Thomas Almeda was returning from school to his home, at 2818 East Elkhard street, he was struck by a trolley car at Richmond and Elkhard streets, almost directly in front of his home.

Dragged beneath the front fender, his body was swiftly drawn under the front wheels of the car. The crew, with the aid of a jack, lifted the wheels and then placed the unconscious form of the boy in a passing automobile.

He was pronounced dead at the Northeast Hospital.

The second fatality occurred when a motor truck owned by Berger Brothers, of Second and Arch Sts., ran down Samuel Hanlon, 9 years old, of Chew and Church lane. The youth was playing upon a small bicycle in the street in front of his home when struck by the machine. He died while being taken to the Germantown Hospital. Two men are under arrest in connection with the accidents.

MRS. HARVEY HENSHAW ENTERTAINS

Affair Given Tuesday in Honor  
Mrs. Anna N. Rogers

At her attractive cottage near Mount Vernon, Mrs. Harvey Henshaw entertained Tuesday afternoon and evening the Senior Young People's Missionary Society of the M. E. Church South, in honor of Mrs. Anna N. Rogers, honorary president of the organization, who left this city Wednesday for Greenwich, N. Y., to be gone several months. Iced beverages were served during the afternoon on the spacious lawn, with its beautiful beds of pansies and nasturtiums, and on the shady rambling veranda. Vases of spring flowers also adorned the porch from which a white gravel path leads to an especially attractive bed, with tall red lilies forming the center surrounded by several rows of matched and graded geraniums, and bordered by dwarf scale sage.

Supper was served at the sunset hour in the dining room, where the long table was set for twenty plates. The large centerpiece was of white bride roses, with streamers of old blue ribbon forming festoons to the ivory candlesticks. Old blue candles with shades to match and ivory tinted china with old blue decorations carried out the color scheme. The golden light of the sunset reflecting into the room created a most charming effect.

## CANADIANS MOB POLICE

Unrest Among Troops Delayed in  
Sailing for Home Culminates  
in Tragedy

London, June 19.—Unrest among Canadian soldiers in England, because of continued postponement of homeward sailings, culminated Tuesday night in an attack by 400 Canadians on the Epsom police station. Several policemen were wounded, one so seriously, that he died this morning. The purpose of the attack was to release a Canadian soldier who had been arrested.

To avoid further trouble the police released another Canadian. During the last few days there has been trouble in the Canadian camp at Whitley, where the soldiers burned huts and did other damage according to reports.

There is much sympathy here for the Canadians, who have repeatedly been given dates for homeward sailings, only to be told that further postponement was necessary owing to strikers or dockworkers at Liverpool and other ports, or to lack of transports.

The unrest has not been confined to the Canadians. There also have been protests by Australians and New Zealanders. Some Scottish units, composed of veterans recently held a demonstration against being sent back to France while men who had not seen active service remained in England or were demobilized.

Price and Cook will have on sale tomorrow and balance of the week; halibut, sea bass, mackerel, butterfish, croakers, fresh haddock, Jersey trout, flounders. 146-1p.

## HAPPENINGS ABOUT CITY TOLD IN BRIEF

Mrs. Harvey Williams is quite sick at the Alexandria Hospital.

Miss Mae Stonnell, is visiting Mrs. B. B. Yates at Warrenton, Va.

The many little friends of Miss Charlotte Inez Booth will regret to hear that she is quite sick at the Alexandria Hospital.

Warren Zimmerman, was badly burnt about the shoulders, while working at the fire, which destroyed the stables of Stuart J. Simpson.

Mr. and Mrs. Haynes have received word that their son Raymond C. Haynes has arrived safely from overseas and is now at Camp Stuart, Va.

St. Mary's Dramatic Club last night presented a farce comedy entitled "The Jonah" at the Lyceum Hall. Funds are for the Cardinal Athletic Club uniform fund.

The regular weekly prayer meeting at the Ann Lee Memorial will be held tomorrow at 3 p. m. This is an non-denominational meeting, and all are invited to attend.

The sum of \$547.41 was contributed by the employees of the Virginia Shipbuilding Corporation to the Welcome Home Committee. A majority of the employees at the yards gave something toward the celebration.

George Weaver, charged with shooting Daniel Lewis at the plant of the Virginia Shipbuilding Corporation on the 5th instant, was declared guilty by a jury in the Corporation Court last night. He was sentenced to serve sixty days in jail.

On account of the launching at the shipyard Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock the banks of this city will be open from 5 until 6.0 o'clock tomorrow evening in order that the employees at the yards may have their checks cashed. The banks, however, will close at noon Saturday.

Mrs. Mollie Howard Cleveland, wife of Albert H. Cleveland died today at her home on Seminary Hill. Her funeral will be held at 11 o'clock Saturday at Seminary Hill Ivy Hill cemetery. There will be no service at the house. She is survived by a son, her husband and son, Archie Cleveland.

Diplomas of graduation last night were conferred on a class of ten at the annual commencement exercises of Mount Vernon avenue school, Del Ray, Alexandria County. During the evening an address was delivered by Mr. Councillor of Washington. A musical and literary program was given in connection with the exercises.

Boyd M. Smith, a native of Alexandria, is on a visit to his old home. He was a member of the late John S. Mosby's command during the war between the states. Some members of Mosby's command favor Fredericksburg as the place for the next reunion. Others are anxious to have the reunion at Fairfax Courthouse.

Announcement is made of the marriage of Mr. Allen Y. Cogan, son of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Cogan, this city and Miss Margaret Dahlke of Buffalo, N. Y., which occurred June 16, in Norfolk. The ceremony was performed by Rev. S. A. Donahoe, of the Cumberland Street M. E. Church. The bridegroom only recently returned from overseas where he served with the University of Virginia Base Hospital Unit.

POTOMAC FISH COMPANY will have on sale tomorrow and balance of week; Jersey trout, Jersey but-terfish, rock, sea bass, catfish, carp, steak halibut, steak codfish, white perch, fresh mackerel, crab meat, clams, and green snapping turtles. Chas. H. Zimmerman, Proprietor. Phone 198. 145-2p.

## MARRIED

At Norfolk, Virginia, June 16, Allen Y. Cogan, this city and Margaret A. Dahlke, of Buffalo, N. Y., by the Rev. S. A. Donahoe of Cumberland Street M. E. Church. 146-1p.